

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Letters Patent of:
Greene et al.

Patent No.: 7,094,564

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For: Human Tumor Necrosis Factor Receptor-Like
Genes

**REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF
CORRECTION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.322**

Attention: Certificate of Correction Branch
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Upon reviewing the above-identified patent, Patentee noted typographical errors which should be corrected.

In the Claims:

In Claim 30, delete "An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising 1 contiguous nucleotides" and insert -- An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising 30 contiguous nucleotides --;

In Claim 43, delete "The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 38," and insert -- The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 39, --.

The errors were not present in the claims as allowed by the Examiner. Applicants believe that the errors arose from mistakes in (or misinterpretation of) the Examiner's handwritten instructions to the printer to renumber the claims and claim dependencies prior to printing of the patent.

A review of the claims in the Image File Wrapper (IFW) in the PAIR database show the Examiner's handwritten instructions to the printer to change the numbering of allowed claims 31

and 36-85 to the contiguous numbers 1 to 51 as reflected in the issued patent. Original claim 64 (see claims dated 09-03-98 in IFW), which corresponds to claim 30 of the issued patent, appears to contain handwritten instructions to change "comprising 30 contiguous nucleotides" to "comprising 1 contiguous nucleotides." The Examiner never proposed this amendment during prosecution of the application, nor did Applicants ever authorize such an amendment to the claim. Therefore, this change is believed to be an inadvertent error introduced by the Examiner in the process of renumbering claims and claim dependencies in preparation for printing the patent.

Original claim 77 (see claims dated 09-03-98 in IFW), corresponding to claim 43 of the issued patent, originally depended from claim 73, which corresponds to claim 39 of the issued patent. Indeed, the Examiner's handwritten instructions to the printer indicate that original claim 77 should have been amended to depend from renumbered claim 39. Applicants believe that the printer incorrectly read the number "38" instead of "39," leading to the error in claim 43 of the issued patent.

As both of the errors sought to be corrected arose through fault of the Office, and the errors are evident from the records of the Office, Applicants submit that the instant request requires no fee.

Transmitted herewith is a proposed Certificate of Correction effecting such amendment. Patentee respectfully solicits the granting of the requested Certificate of Correction.

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Respectfully submitted,

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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

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